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SOUTH MOURNS DEATH OF A NOBLE SOLDIER—S. D. LEE

Ranking Officer in United
Confederates Veterans
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SCENE OF BATTLE
HIS DEATH PLACE

After Attending the Services
Honoring Dead Federal
Soldiers at Vicksburg National
Military Park Gen'l
Stephen D. Lee Succumbs
Suddenly

By Associated Press.
Vicksburg, Miss., May 28.—General
Stephen D. Lee, commander-in-chief
of the United Confederate Veterans,
and one of the last three surviving
lieutenant-generals of the Confederacy,
died here today at the residence
of Capt. W. T. Rigby.

Over-exertion last Thursday in the
ceremonies attendant upon the reunion
of Iowa and Wisconsin
of the Grand Army of the Republic at
Vicksburg, brought about General
Lee's illness.

Following the reception of the
northern visitors, in which General
Lee took a leading part, he suffered
an attack of acute indigestion, but
later rallied and during the past week
showed much improvement.

Yesterday afternoon he again
collapsed, and grew gradually weaker
until death relieved his sufferings
shortly after 6 o'clock this morning.

Burial at Columbus

Arrangements for the funeral of
Gen. Lee were completed tonight and
an order bearing upon this was issued
by Adjutant General Mickle from the
headquarters of the Veterans at
New Orleans, at the direction of
General W. L. Cabell, of Dallas,
Texas, who, in accordance with the
laws of organization, assumes the
office of lieutenant-general commanding.

Following the issuance of this
order General Mickle left New Orleans
for Columbus, Miss., where the
funeral will be held Saturday afternoon
at 4 o'clock.

The funeral train will leave Vicksburg
tomorrow morning at 7 o'clock,
and will be met at Columbus by several
thousand veterans. The funeral
is to be held from the late residence
of General Lee, according to the
rites of the Baptist church, of which
General Lee was a member.

The part which the veterans will
take in the funeral will be under the
direction of Major General Robert
Lowry, commanding the department
of the Mississippi, of United Confederate
Veterans.

Messages of condolence from all
parts of the United States, from
friends of General Lee, will be read.
President Roosevelt was among the
first to send condolences.

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THE ALDRICH--VREELAND CURRENCY BILL TODAY

LITTLE CHANCE OF RELIEF FOR THE PUBLISHERS

Majority Report Wants Further
Investigation, Minority
Wants the Passage of
Stevens Bill, and Both
Reports are Tabled on
Motion

By Associated Press.
Washington, May 28.—The special
committee of six members of the
house appointed upon complaint of
the American Newspaper Publishers'
Association to investigate the wood
pulp and print paper situation, in
relation to the tariff, and with regard
to an alleged conspiracy for the restraint
of trade, today submitted a
majority and a minority report.

The majority in its preliminary
report recommends no legislation
affecting wood pulp and print paper,
be enacted until the committee has
further investigated and reported.
The minority report recommends
the passage of the Stevens bill.

When Mann sought to have a
report read, Sims moved the adoption
of the minority report, but the
proceedings were cut short by Hitchcock
of Nebraska objecting to the reading
of either report. It is believed that
Hitchcock's action will have the effect
of preventing the question coming
up again this session.

TEXAS SYNOD
IS SUSTAINED

By Associated Press.
Greensboro, N. C., May 28.—The
general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian
church today completed the
case of the Presbytery of Eastern
Texas against the synod of Texas,
which stood to sustain 99, not to sustain
27, and to sustain in part 5.

The report of the committee on
publication, Sabbath-school work, and
on young people's societies, recommendations,
committee on ministerial education
and relief, and the report of
the committee on audits were adopted.

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Understanding is Reached
and Vote Will Probably
be Taken Today—Democrats
Will Not Filibuster,
But Will Vote Solidly
"Nay."

By Associated Press.
Washington, May 28.—The anticipated
strenuous opposition to the
adoption of the conference report on
the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill in
the senate, according to the inference
to be drawn from the debate today,
will probably not materialize.

Senator Aldrich kept the report before
the senate until nearly 4 o'clock,
then he assented to its being laid
aside until 11 o'clock tomorrow. The
senators realized the meaning of this
move was that an understanding had
been reached, and another vote on
the bill will be taken tomorrow, in
quarry proof of the existence of this
understanding, although no positive
agreement had been made.

During the morning the democrats
held a conference and decided not
to filibuster against the bill.

Sentiments, however, favor the minority
voting solidly against the measure.
It is not likely that more than
two republicans will join in the opposition.

TYPHOON KILLS 1,000 PERSONS

Hankow in China is Scene
of Terrible Catastrophe,
News Which Just Reaches
United States by Way of
Pacific Steamer

By Associated Press.
Victoria, B. C., May 28.—The steamer
Shianon of the Japanese line,
bringing news of another disaster
through a typhoon at Hankow, following
a freshet which involved the loss
of more than 1,000 lives, with the
wrecking of 1,000 junks and the
stranding of many steamers, including
several foreign crafts.

The typhoon came suddenly and in
a few hours reduced hundreds of boats
in the Kan river to splinters. Steamers
broke away from their moorings
and only those which could get up
steam quickly escaped. The shores
were thick with corpses of river people.

News was also brought of a great
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\$31,000 NEEDED TO ASSURE \$350,000 HOTEL

The Hotel Committee Met
at Chamber of Commerce
Last Night

LAST MEETING
TUESDAY NIGHT

Pensacolians Must Get Busy
—Fine Spirit Shown Last
Night and \$13,000 Sub-
scribed Conditionally That
Total Be Raised By Tuesday
Night

Tuesday night will decide whether
Pensacola is to have the new \$350,000
hotel for which a committee of the
Chamber of Commerce has been working,
or not. Most people believe
that the city is going to have this
most necessary acquisition but there
is work to be done and hard work,
too.

The committee of the Chamber of
Commerce which has been soliciting
stock subscriptions for the \$350,000
necessary to assure the building of the
\$350,000 hotel, met at the Chamber
of Commerce rooms last night. It
was expected that Chas. B. Hervey,
of Mobile, president of the Hervey
Hotel Company, would be present,
but a letter received by Jno. E.
Stillman, chairman of the hotel
committee, from Mr. Hervey, advised
that business prevented him leaving
Mobile this week but that he would
come to Pensacola on next Tuesday.

Several new subscriptions were
announced and it was suggested that
the entire list of subscriptions be read,
which showed a total of \$101,100 worth
of stock actually signed for.

The new subscriptions were reported
last night as follows:
Already reported \$99,700
By Mr. Knowles \$ 500
By Mr. Thornton—Highway Per-
mittee Co. of Montgomery 500
Lee Daniel 200
By Mr. Duboussion—Warrior
Grocery Co. 100
C. C. Goodman 100

Total actually signed for, \$101,100
Secretary Waterman announced that
W. H. Knowles had stated that he
would take \$5,000 more if needed,
which brought the total amount guar-
anteed to \$106,100.

Mr. Muldon then suggested that the
complete list of stockholders actually
signed be published. The representative
of the Journal stated that The
Journal would be glad to print the list.

Then Mr. Muldon "humped things"
by saying that he wanted to fix a
time for settling the question of
whether the hotel would be built or
not, and he would therefore announce
that conditional upon the \$150,000
being subscribed for stock by next
Tuesday night, he would take \$5,000
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in Escambia River
Fishing

HAT LATER FOUND
IN A SMALL SKIFF

Two Breaks in Hat Showed
That Two Heavy Blows
Had Been Struck, And it is
Thus Believed Mr. Bonifay
Was Murdered

R. A. Bonifay, of McDavid, a well
known citizen of Escambia county,
was either drowned accidentally Wed-
nesday afternoon or else he was the
victim of foul play at the hands of
some enemy. The last seen of him
was when he was in a boat in Escam-
bia river Wednesday afternoon fishing
and yesterday morning when the boat
was found there was no trace of him,
excepting his hat, which was lying in
the bottom of the boat. There were
two breaks in the hat, made by heavy
blows being delivered, and the fact
that a heavy stick was found in the
boat, and that mud was clinging to
the hat the same as on this stick,
leads some to believe that he was
murdered and his body thrown into
the river, or else he was knocked
from the boat by the blows.

Went Fishing

As he frequently does, Mr. Bonifay
went fishing Wednesday morning.
This was the last his family saw of
him. There was no unusual feeling,
however, until darkness arrived, as
he had frequently remained all day
on the river. When he did not re-
turn home his family became alarmed,
and a few hours afterwards a number
of citizens started out to make a
search for him. This was unsuccessful,
but shortly after daylight the boat
which he had used was found. It
had drifted up against the bank and
remained there.

The Hat Found

Mr. Bonifay wore a felt Stetson hat,
and this was found in the bottom of
the boat. Two breaks had been made
in the felt, as though two heavy blows
had been delivered, and this caused
the suspicion that the missing man
was foully dealt with. This was given
strength by the fact that lying in the
boat was a heavy stick, which had
evidently been picked up from the
mud, and was partly covered with
such. This same mud was on the hat,
where it had been struck.

The belief of some is that some
party was secreted on the bank of the
river, and struck Mr. Bonifay as he
was about to leave the boat and he
rowed up in another boat and deliv-
ered the blows.

Seen at Five O'clock

Parties who were near the point
where Mr. Bonifay was fishing, saw
him at 5 o'clock Wednesday after-
noon and at that time he was rowing
about, going from one of his hooks
to another, and it was supposed that
he was preparing to cease fishing for
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